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MIDDLE OF THE ROAD REPUBLICANS.

Democratic organs are doing their proudest to convince the mass of the voters that Harding and Coolidge are hidebound reactionaries without a single original idea and without a thought for the great country beyond the Mississippi. Nothing could be further from the truth as demonstrated by the announcement yesterday of Mr. Harding's intentions to go slowly and in all his movements to be governed by the suggestions of the leaders of his party, representing this regional office, governing the conduct of the campaign. This is a confession which never occurred to the White House incumbent who was as narrow minded and cramped in his conception of the great west as any provincial of the New England States. Mr. Wilson is dealing with the west with the principle that the people of the mid-mountain country were unfit to govern themselves let alone being entrusted with federal authority. He was the greatest admirer and promoter of sectionalism that ever occupied the presidency for he shared the dominant thought of the southern Bourbons that the north never produced a Democrat who could be relied upon to stick to his party through thick and thin. Senator Harding does that has a receptive mind and not adverse to receiving advice and information from those who are in a better position than himself for imparting the same. He is not dogmatic and comes to the voters in an open handed, free minded state willing to be opposed. This is different from the attitude of the schoolmaster from Virginia who began his public career by ordering that the nation had to follow his pet theories or take with the demagogues who make a party lever for gaining popular confidence. The candidates are men of ripe experience, great capacity and true Americanism who are undertaking to return the government of the republic to the people from whom it was wrested by the Wilson administration. Senator Smith, that staunch guardian of public utilities, has had occasion to be thrown into close contact with Senator Harding during his life in the senate and he declares speaking for the west, that a better man could not be chosen as a conservative and sagacious leader. It is flattering that the ticket is not meeting with the approval of the Democratic press for such endorsement would be an avowal of the weakness of the ticket. Let us go. H. C. typifying high cost is the keynote of the campaign and when it is wrapped around the other H. and C. Harding and Coolidge there is a hard pair to beat.

DRIVE ON LUXURY TAXES.

It will take something more than a "drive" on luxuries represented by the ice-cream soda trade to convince the public that big business is not getting away with the goods from the government. Instead of wasting energy in ferreting out small dealers the internal revenue office might do better in seizing hold of a man's sized job in prosecuting some of the thousands of tax dodgers who have been making false income tax returns for the past three years. Big blotted capital sits enthroned whenever the Democratic administration proceeds to get busy in a way to attract notice while the little shuffler is sure to find one of the long nosed officious smelling brigade camped on his backsteps to see that the baby's ice cream cone has not been smuggled into the home without an internal revenue tax stamp adhering to its fluted side. This is another of the notorious assaults of the attorney general on the lawless elements. The Department of Justice is ever ready to harass the little fellow who cannot afford to hire lawyers to defend himself while the big financiers openly defy the law. In this connection it may be observed that the hearing of charges against the soviet agent threatened with deportation six months ago are still being slowly unwound through mass of red tape and circumlocution with which the attorney general's office abounds. Mitchell Palmer would make an ideal standard bearer for the Democratic party for he has never hurt the feelings of the plutocrats by annoying prosecution and he has proven himself an earnest sympathizer with the radicals.

DEMOCRATIC RESERVATIONS.

If Mr. Wilson succeeds in controlling the proceedings of the San Francisco convention there will certainly be included in the platform a plank endorsing the league of nations without the changing of a single intent or meaning in the covenant as the president brought it from Paris. Nevertheless it is scarcely probable that the Democrats will boldly proclaim the covenant precisely as presented by Mr. Wilson. Rather will they resort to subterfuge intended to convince the people that adherence to the league will in no way imperil American institutions or bring the United States under domination of a foreign council. To the uninitiated it appears plausible to insert a provision in the ratification resolution that rights conferred by the constitution shall be in no way abridged by the league covenant. But the fallacy of that reasoning is sufficiently shown in the letter of the president to Senator Hitchcock in the closing hours of the league fight in the senate when assured the statesmen that he saw no objection to such reservations but to include them would be a "work of supererogation." In short the president acknowledged that "interpretative reservations" lessen in not the slightest degree the international obligations which he sought to impose upon the country through the covenant.

It was about a year ago that the American people first learned what a "mandatory" it. As yet the acquaintanceship has not ripened into any real friendship.

There can be no defense of the president's veto of the water power bill, and the only kind of a veto that can be exercised without an explanation is the pocket veto. Only a perfunctory statement was given out at the White House to the effect that the measure did not reach the president in time.

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

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 RED KEY, June 18. Entire class June 17 for the Pacific coast tennis championships to be held on the Red Key tennis club courts the week beginning June 19.

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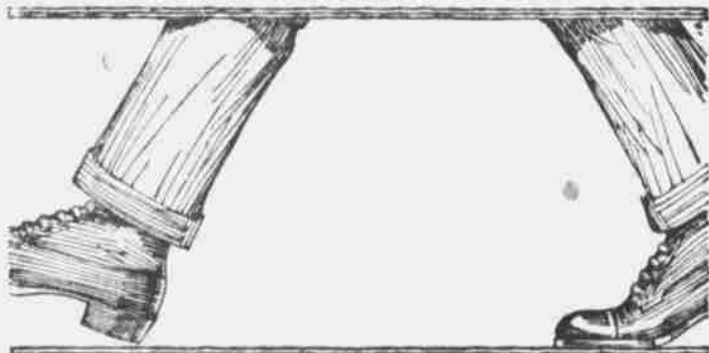
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TOWN OF PECULIAR HISTORY

Settlement in Arkansas Had Its Origin in the Failure of Italian Colony Elsewhere.

The dramatic story of Tontitown in Arkansas, all that remains of an Italian colonization plan instituted by Austin Corbin, a New York financier, about fifty years ago, is told by Bruno Roselli in the Century. In the latter half of the nineteenth century Corbin purchased large tracts of cotton lands along the lower Mississippi and made arrangements with the mayor of Rome to send a number of Italian families as settlers for the new colony, which was to be named Sunnyside.

In the new colony malaria fever, a tropical disease unknown to the Italians, broke out in their new habitation, and the settlers became panic stricken. Having no place to go, they began sending out appeals to Italian consuls in the larger American cities, but their appeals remained unheeded until they reached the ears of Father Bandini, a Tuscan priest of New York, who immediately started for Sunnyside.

Not having the means of covering transportation costs if he were to take them out of the region they were in the priest began to lead the Italians out of the malarial region on foot. They finally reached the spot where Arkansas, Kansas and Oklahoma touch borders. They purchased a good many acres of land with \$1,000 they saved, felled the trees out of which they built homes for themselves and a chapel and named the new settlement Tontitown, after the pioneer Tonti, who was the first Italian known to have set foot in Arkansas.

HURT BY LACK OF EXERCISE

American People, Through Excessive Use of Automobiles, Rapidly Becoming Nation of Dyspeptics.

Excessive automobile riding is said to be the cause of many ailments of the digestive, the respiratory and the circulation organs. A student asked one of his professors which branch of the medical profession he regarded as the most remunerative.

"If I were again a young man, just starting out," the professor replied, "I would choose the digestive tract. Americans are playing havoc with that part of their anatomy. With automobile riding rapidly replacing the good old habit of walking, people don't get enough exercise to digest properly. Result: Better business for the physicians."

"Next to the alimentary troubles the heart and lungs are involved; the muscles of these organs are weakened both by lack of exercise and by the ill-nourished condition of the blood due to hasty eating. You see it all comes back to the question of eating—the digestive tract. So that, it seems to me, should prove to be the branch of the profession to which I would give first choice."

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